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In re Application of Meagley et al.

Application No. 10/688,109

Filing Date: October 16, 2003

Attorney Docket No. 42P17302

Decision on Petition

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed March 26, 2007, to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The petition is granted.

This application was held abandoned for failure to file a response to the non-final Office action of July 17, 2006, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 8, 2007.

Petitioner contends a reply to the July 17, 2006 Office action was timely filed on October 17, 2006.

The Office has located the papers filed October 17, 2006. A review of the papers indicates the papers were timely and a proper reply to the non-final Office action. Therefore, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn.

Technology Center Art Unit 1752 will be informed of the instant decision and the amendment filed October 17, 2006, will be entered and considered by the examiner in due course.

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